## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

Claims 1-4 (Cancelled)

5. (Currently Amended) An overflow system for a bathtub comprising: a pipe;

a cap <u>interconnected to said pipe</u>, <u>said cap having a cylindrical body bounded by an outer</u> <u>face</u>, <u>said cylindrical body having interior threads having an outer face which has a cylindrical body which has interior threads; and <u>said cap having</u> an annular flange that extends radially outwardly from an open end of the cylindrical body;</u>

a thin spacing membrane affixed to said the face and said flange to seal said open end of said cap; and an aperture in the cap;

wherein said the cap threadingly engages said pipe. screws onto threads on the pipe.

- 6. (New) The system of Claim 5 wherein said thin membrane is positioned substantially entirely on said face and has an outer surface coincident with an outer surface of said flange.
- 7. (New) The system of Claim 5, wherein said pipe includes threads on an outer diameter and an inner diameter.
- 8. (New) The system of Claim 5, wherein said thin membrane is adapted to be cut to provide access to the interior of said pipe.
- 9. (New) The system of Claim 5, further including a second annular flange that extends radially inwardly from said open end of the cylindrical body.
  - 10. (New) A closure device, comprising:

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a body having a first end, a second end, an outer surface and an inner surface, wherein said first end has a surface area defined by said inner surface and said outer surface;

a sealing element selectively interconnected to said face; and

wherein said closure device is adapted for interconnection to a pipe to prevent fluid flow therethrough.

- 11. (New) The device of Claim 10, wherein said sealing element conceals substantially said first end.
  - 12. (New) The device of Claim 10, wherein said inner surface includes threads.
- 13. (New) The device of Claim 10, further comprising a flange interconnected to said body, said flange having a face defined by an outer flange surface and said inner surface of said body, said face being coincident with said first end of said body.
- 14. (New) The system of Claim 13, further including a second annular flange that extends radially inwardly from said first end.
  - 15. (New) The device of Claim 10, wherein said sealing element is a membrane.
  - 16. (New) The device of Claim 15, wherein said membrane is cuttable.
  - 17. (New) A method of providing a flow path, comprising: providing fluid conduit;

providing a cap interconnected to said pipe, said cap having an outer face with an opening therethrough and a body depending therefrom;

providing a membrane selectively interconnected to said face to seal said opening; and

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selectively removing said membrane to provide a flow path through said opening of said cap and into said fluid conduit.

- 18. (New) The method of Claim 17, wherein said selectively removing comprises cutting said membrane.
- 19. (New) The method of Claim 17, further comprising attaching an overflow mechanism to said cap.
- 20. (New) The method of Claim 17, wherein said interconnection is performed by way of a threaded engagement between said cap and said fluid conduit.